

JOHN T. REEVES, ADMINISTRATOR.

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LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS,  
TRANSMITTING A COPY OF THE FINDINGS FILED BY THE COURT  
IN THE CASE OF JOHN T. REEVES, ADMINISTRATOR OF ELIZA-  
BETH JOHNS, DECEASED, AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

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JANUARY 28, 1903.—Referred to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be  
printed.

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COURT OF CLAIMS, CLERK'S OFFICE,  
*Washington, January 28, 1903.*

SIR: Pursuant to the order of the court, I transmit herewith a certi-  
fied copy of the findings filed by the court in the aforesaid cause,  
which case was referred to this court by the Committee on War Claims,  
House of Representatives, under the act of March 3, 1883.

I am, very respectfully, yours, etc.,

JOHN RANDOLPH,  
*Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.*

Hon. DAVID B. HENDERSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

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[Court of Claims. Congressional No. 7472. Emma E. Reeves, sole legatee of Elizabeth Johns,  
deceased, v. The United States.]

This case being a claim for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or  
furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war  
for the suppression of the rebellion, the court, on a preliminary inquiry, finds that  
Elizabeth Johns (deceased), the person alleged to have furnished such supplies or  
stores, or from whom the same are alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Gov-  
ernment of the United States throughout said war.

BY THE COURT.

Filed March 29, 1897.

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[Court of Claims. Congressional case No. 7472. John T. Reeves, administrator of Elizabeth Johns,  
deceased, v. The United States.]

STATEMENT OF CASE.

The claim in the above-entitled case for supplies or stores alleged to have been  
taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States, for their use dur-  
ing the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, was transmitted to the court by  
the Committee on War Claims of the House of Representatives on the 11th day of  
March, 1890.

On a preliminary inquiry the court, on the 29th day of March, 1897, found that  
the person alleged to have furnished the supplies or stores, or from whom they were  
alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States  
throughout said war.

The case was brought to a hearing on its merits on the 12th day of January, 1903. George A. & William B. King, esqs., appeared for claimant, and the Attorney-General, by John Q. Thompson, esq., his assistant, and under his direction, appeared for the defense and protection of the interests of the United States.

The claimant in his petition makes the following allegations:

That he is the administrator of Elizabeth Johns, deceased, appointed on the 7th day of February, 1898, by the ordinary court in and for the county of Whitfield and State of Georgia; that claimant's decedent was during the civil war a resident of the State of Georgia, and did not give any aid or comfort to the said rebellion, but was throughout that war loyal to the Government of the United States.

That the following property belonging to the claimant's decedent was taken from her in the county of Fulton, State of Georgia, by and for the use of the U. S. Army, namely, General Thomas's division of General Sherman's command, viz.:

Taken August 1, 1864:

1 frame house of 3 rooms .....	\$300. 00
1 frame house of 3 rooms.....	150. 00
31,470 rails, at \$1 per hundred .....	314. 70
35 acres matured corn, 500 bushels, at \$1 per bushel .....	500. 00

Taken September 1, 1864: 1 sorrel horse..... 90. 00

Taken October 1, 1864:

1 two-horse wagon .....	50. 00
Stable, crib, smoke and garden houses.....	150. 00

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The court, upon the evidence, and after considering the briefs and arguments of counsel on both sides, makes the following

#### FINDING OF FACTS.

There were taken from the claimant's decedent, in Fulton County, State of Georgia, during the war of the rebellion, by the military forces of the United States, for the use of the Army, property of the kind and character above described, which was then and there reasonably worth the sum of eight hundred and eighty-five dollars (\$885), for which no payment appears to have been made.

BY THE COURT.

Filed January 19, 1903.

A true copy.

Test this 26th day of January, 1903.

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JOHN RANDOLPH,  
Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.

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